

**MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BUTLER COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS HELD ON JANUARY 4, 2021.**

Meeting called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Tom Heidenwirth with members Greg Barnett and Rusty Eddy present.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Moved by Barnett, second by Eddy to approve. All ayes. Motion carried.

No public comment received.

Director of Public Health Jennifer Becker reported 49 new cases of COVID since last Monday, with 22 releases, 5 currently hospitalized, no new deaths and a 15.8% positivity rate. Director Becker also reported that they have administered 120 doses of vaccine to health care providers in the county. Becker explained that due to time constraints with opening a vial they are administering doses in increments of ten as they are contacted by healthcare providers. Becker also explained there will be a statewide move to the next group and Butler County Public Health will be waiting to be directed by the state regarding when they can move on to the next priority group. Eddy asked which healthcare providers were part of the first priority list and Becker clarified it included doctors, nurses, physical therapists, dentists, eye doctors, and mental health providers. Eddy clarified his qualification for the vaccine and asked to be put on the list. Vicki Schoneman and Jennifer Becker discussed health situations to consider regarding the vaccine.

Moved by Tom Heidenwirth, second by Rusty Eddy to appoint Greg Barnett as Chairman of the Board for 2021. All ayes. Motion carried. Moved by Barnett, second by Heidenwirth to appoint Rusty Eddy as Pro-tem.

Moved by Barnett, second by Eddy to approve and reaffirm appointments to the following boards and commissions. All ayes. Motion carried.

<b>Board of Adjustment</b>	<b>3-year term</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Mark Gerdes		1/1/2021
Paul Leerhoff		1/1/2022
Jeff Reints		1/1/2021
Jim Siebrands		1/1/2022
Fern Feldman		1/1/2023

<b>Planning and Zoning</b>	<b>3-year term</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Deb McWhirter		1/1/2021
Ryan Norton		1/1/2022
John Backer		1/1/2021
Janice M. Johnson		1/1/2022
Jane Close		1/1/2023

<b>Board of Health</b>	<b>3-year term</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Michael Lindstrom		12/31/2022
Deb Gayer		12/31/2021
Joyce Dickes		12/31/2023
Chris Showalter		12/31/2022
Greg Barnett		12/31/2021

<b>Veteran Affairs</b>	<b>3-year term</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Duane Harms		6/30/2022
Nancy Hadley		6/30/2022
Alan Meyer		6/30/2020
Craig Franken		6/30/2021
Cindy DeWitt		6/30/2022

<b>Conservation Commission</b>	<b>5-year term</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Merideth Borchardt		12/31/2022
Mark O'Brien		12/31/2023
Kelly Harken		12/31/2025
Ryan Schrage		12/31/2024
Fern Feldman		12/31/2021

<b>Compensation Board</b>	<b>4-year term</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Nancy Amunson	Treasurer	7/1/2021
Kyle Rice	Sheriff	7/1/2023
Gene Chinander	Recorder	7/1/2021
Jane Close	Supervisors	7/1/2021
Kevin Truax	Supervisors	7/1/2021
Dale Hansmann	Attorney	7/1/2021
Jeff Kolb	Auditor	7/1/2023

The following appointments of County Officials were reviewed. Moved by Tom Heidenwirth to approve the appointments, second by Barnett. All ayes. Motion carried.

<b>BOARD</b>	<b>APPOINTED</b>	<b>ALTERNATE</b>
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Janice Jacobs, Recorder

Roxann Geelhoed, Deputy Recorder  
Brandon Kampman, Deputy Recorder

Jason Johnson, Sheriff

Michael Lammers, Chief Deputy Sheriff  
Reid Menken, Deputy Sheriff  
Kiley Winterberg, Deputy Sheriff  
Collin Freesemann, Deputy Sheriff  
Curt Lubben, Deputy Sheriff  
Lane Bass, Deputy Sheriff  
Tim Joebgen, Deputy Sheriff  
Jay Johnson, Deputy Sheriff  
Bruce Tierney, Deputy Sheriff  
Jeff Rauenbuehler, Deputy Sheriff  
Brett Stirling, Deputy Sheriff

UPON Roll Call the vote thereon was as follows:

AYES: Tom Heidenwirth  
Greg Barnett  
Rusty Eddy

NAYS: None

WHEREUPON the Resolution was declared duly adopted this 4<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2021

Greg Barnett  
Chairman, Board of Supervisors

ATTEST:  
Leslie Groen, County Auditor

Moved by Eddy, second by Heidenwirth to leave the mileage reimbursement rate at 50 cents for 2021. All ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the Butler County Compensation Board recommendations. Moved by Heidenwirth to accept the recommendation of the Compensation Board for Elected Officials; motioned died for lack of a second. Eddy shared his concerns surrounding the previous year's budget and requested to table this agenda item for one week for further discussion. Barnett also raised concerns regarding budgetary issues from last year and he is concerned with trying to make that up. Barnett stated he thinks everyone deserves a raise, but financially, they might not be able to follow the Compensation Board's three percent recommendation. Barnett commented that in the past they have always tried to follow the approximate 3.00% increase recommended and reminded everyone the board has already approved not to increase in employees' insurance premiums in 2021, even though the county premiums have increased by \$61000. Moved by Barnett to approve a 1.5% increase for elected officials and non-elected, non-deputy employees with no salary increase to supervisors; motioned died for lack of a second. Moved by Eddy to have no salary increases for 2021; motion died for lack of a second. John Zimmerman asked telephonically if supervisors decided this in April during budget time as this is early in the year for taxpayers to know what the total increase would total. Barnett provided Zimmerman with that total of \$60196, which does not include Public Health, Conservation, or Secondary Roads employees. Barnett suggested county departments to budget using the 3.00% increase as the decision will need to be tabled. Heidenwirth said he felt if they had been slowly increasing the tax levy over the years we would not have had such an issue last year. Heidenwirth mentioned we had not raised the levy for over ten years and then last year realized is had to be raised a lot. Heidenwirth also shared concern with deciding salaries before budgeting is completed to make a good decision. Heidenwirth continued that maybe the county should be treated like a business in the fact making salary decisions prior to budgeting is always a hard thing. Barnett suggests everyone complete their normal budgeting using the 3.00% recommendations to get all the numbers together and see the complete picture to make a decision. Discussion was held on when decisions would need to be made which was determined to be prior to the adopted budget due date of March 15, 2021. Eddy commented that he is open to discussion with department heads and hopes they can appreciate the past tough year and today's decision are a start to his plan. Eddy continues that he may not be popular with county employees but his obligation is to the people he represents and his goal is not to have property taxes increase this year or even decrease. Moved by Eddy to table this discussion to a later date, seconded by Barnett. All ayes. Motion carried.

Following the motion to table the salary discussion, Vicki Schoneman shared where the Compensation Board was coming from in year's past which was that after a comparison with similar counties, Butler County has always been below and she was concerned that no raises would put us even further behind. Schoneman agreed with a small raise, but feels no raises will hurt in the end because the county would always be playing catchup. Johnson asked Eddy what percentage of the budgetary issues last spring were related to salaries vs. what percentage were related to other issues and decisions the county made and asked Eddy to take a hard look at that. Heidenwirth made comments regarding the price of things going up in the county. Johnson stated that he has salaries comparables that are also provided to the Compensation Board to be used as a consideration. Johnson confirmed that Butler County is generally behind what comparable counties are paying and he reiterated to consider past issues are not about salaries but other pieces. Eddy confirmed there were many other budget pieces last year and the prior year there was a roads issue that need to be addressed. Eddy continued that he feels obligated to do some things as supervisors and that last year there were many factors which resulted in a lot of unhappy people in the county and he wants to do his part to maintain a budget and it may be time for a sacrifice. Johnson pointed out other county elected officials are also elected know their decisions affect all of us and the taxes that we paid. Johnson continuing explaining some elected official's budgets do not have much movement or latitude within their budgets, unlike his budget in the Sheriff Department, and that all elected officials are answering the same questions from the public about the budget. Barnett stated he will research the total effect of last year's salary decision and Johnson also mentioned the union employees will need to be taken into consideration.

Discussions were held regarding the agenda format and set times. Barnett researched Iowa Code and other counties agendas and asked Dave Kuehner to do the same. Kuehner reported that he found nothing other than the time of the meeting needed to be stated. Kuehner reviewed other counties as well and only noted some counties included times for agenda items that may draw an audience. Heidenwirth felt the time frames were an

approximated time frame and not necessarily required. Eddy stated he was fine with removing the times other than keeping the meeting start time. Fern Myers asked a question telephonically regarding how people who called in could comment throughout the meeting other than during the designated public comment time. Eddy clarified that they should be speaking during the public comment time, but if she would have additional comments throughout the meeting Barnett explained Myers could utilize the comment box in zoom to 'raise a hand' at any time. Leslie Groen suggested to move public hearings to the top of the agenda to ensure they are handled first. Barnett summarized the agenda would continue with a 9:00am call to order, approve the minutes and approve the agenda, since it is tentative. No formal approval is necessary regarding agenda changes and Groen will determine the flow of the agenda items.

Board approved claims as submitted.

Butler County claims paid December 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020

ABELS FUNERAL & CREMATION SERVICE,BURIAL EXP	1,500.00
ACCESS SYSTEMS LEASING,EQUIP CONT	4,311.63
ACES,EQUIP CONT/LICENSING/SUP	9,439.00
AGCO FINANCE - AGCOPLUS,MAINT	250.00
AGILITY RECOVERY SOLUTIONS,DISASTER RCVRY	463.05
AGVANTAGE FS,UPGRADES	218.58
AHLERS & COONEY, P.C.,PROF FEES	1,459.50
AIRGAS NORTH CENTRAL,WLDG SUP	972.69
ALLIANT ENERGY,UTIL	169.29
ALLISON VARIETY HARDWARE,MAINT/MISC SUP/OFC SUP	49.10
ALLISON, CITY OF,UTIL	369.52
ANSWER PLUS INC,EQUIP CONT	221.06
APEX STRUCTURAL,ENVIRON EDUC	240.00
AT&T,TELE	46.24
BAEDKE, JOHANNA,DRIVER STIPEND	75.00
BEACHLER, RILEY,MLGE	315.00
BEADLE, LANEY,PEO	99.00
BLACK HAWK RENTAL,GRNDS/MAINT	244.50
BLACK HILLS ENERGY,UTIL	207.88
BMC AGGREGATES L.C.,ROCK	19,434.01
BORCHARDT, MEREDITH,MLGE	7.50
BRANDT, LEROY,ROCK	19,899.36
BRUENING ROCK PRODUCTS, INC,ROCK	2,193.38
BUSINESS CARD,TOB PREV	798.27
BUTLER BREMER COMMUNICATIONS,TELE	119.35
BUTLER COUNTY ENGINEER,FUEL	1,715.41
BUTLER COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH,DRG TSTG/MED INV/WELLNESS	482.00
BUTLER COUNTY R.E.C.,UTIL	1,026.24
BUTLER COUNTY SHERIFF,CT COSTS	56.13
BUTLER COUNTY SOLID WASTE,DISP FEE	20,367.34
CALHOUN-BURNS & ASSOC.,PROF SRVS	10,624.50
CAMPBELL INSURANCE GROUP, INC.,CONS FEE	2,278.53
CARDINAL HEALTH AT-HOME,MED SUP	115.04
CARDMEMBER SERVICE,BD MBR EXP/FEE/MISC EXP/SFTY	1,478.87
CARLSON SOFTWARE, INC.,SOFTWARE	434.50
CDW-G,COMP EQUIP	237.19
CEDAR VALLEY AUTO GLASS INC.,PRTS	390.00
CENTEC CAST METAL PRODUCTS,GRAVE MRKRS	1,461.71
CENTRAL IOWA DISTRIBUTING,SUPLY	226.00
CINTAS CORPORATION,SUPLY	102.61
CLARKSVILLE LUMBER CO,UPGRADES	67.40
CLARKSVILLE, CITY OF,UTIL	22.20
COMPASS MINERALS,SALT	24,119.29
COOPER MOTORS INC.,CAR EXP/STATE ALLOC	59.04
CRAWFORD-MILLER LUMBER,LMBR/MISC SUP/PRTS	1,157.46
CROELL REDI-MIX, INC.,CNCRT	771.00
CYPRESS SOLUTIONS,PROF FEE/PRTS	1,831.27
DAVE'S CRANE & WRECKER SERVICE,LBR	7,897.50
DEBNER, LONNA,MLGE	373.00
DELTA GLOVES,MISC	513.04
DEWITT, CINDY,MLGE	367.50
DIAMOND OIL CO,LP	49.08
DON'S TRUCK SALES,PRTS	3,859.56
DUMONT HARKEN LUMBER INC.,UPGRADES	37.43
DUMONT TELEPHONE COMPANY,INTERNET/TELE	1,697.90
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT SYSTEMS,ADMIN FEE/CLAIMS	2,478.68
FASTENAL COMPANY,MISC/MISC SUP/SFTY	1,895.02
FELDMAN, FERN,MLGE	68.00
FLOYD COUNTY ENV HEALTH,MLGE	164.22

FORTERRA BUILDING PRODUCTS,BRDG SUP	67,440.00
FRANCIS LAUER YOUTH SERVICES,YOUTH SHLTR	326.55
GATR TRUCK CENTER,PRTS	51.44
GILLEN, MACKENZIE,MLGE	462.00
GLOBAL HYDRAULICS & SUPPLY INC,PRTS	26.41
GOODYEAR COMMERCIAL TIRE & SVC,LBR/TIRES	4,335.62
GRAINGER,MAINT	33.48
GREEN CANOPY, INC.,SUPLY	108.20
GREENE RECORDER, THE,BD PROC/PUBL/PUB NOT	741.22
GREENE, CITY OF,UTIL	64.00
HAMBLY & SONS RESTORATION AND CLEANING,BLDG MAINT	2,000.00
HARKEN LUMBER,SCRWS	49.72
HARKEN, KELLY,MLGE	112.00
HECKMAN, JOHN,DRIVER STIPEND	125.00
HENRY M ADKINS & SON INC,EQUIP CONT	9,200.00
HINDERS, MARY ANN,MLGE	324.80
IMWCA,WK COMP	6,732.00
INRCOG,PROF FEES	290.00
IOWA COMM. ASSURANCE POOL,ICAP INS	1,223.22
IOWA COUNTY ATTORNEYS ASSOC,SCH OF INSTR	350.00
IOWA LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY,SCH OF INSTR	250.00
IOWA PRISON INDUSTRIES,PLQ	52.05
IOWA REGIONAL UTILITIES ASSOC.,UTIL	30.68
IOWA STATE SHERIFF'S,SCH OF INSTR	600.00
ISAC,SCH OF INSTR	175.00
J & C GROCERY,BD & CARE/OFC SUP	1,001.61
JACOBS, JAMES,WELL CLOSING	500.00
JENDRO SANITATION SERVICES,DISP FEE	133.23
JERRY ROLING MOTORS INC.,PRTS	126.36
JOE'S HEATING, COOLING AND PLMBG, LLC,BLDG MAINT	62.50
JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL,EQUIP/MAINT/MISC SUP/SUP/TOOLS	9,935.27
JOHNSON TILING,TILE MTRLS	82.00
JOHNSON, BAILEY,MLGE	502.00
JOHNSON, JEFF,TWP EXP	20.00
KAHN TILE SUPPLY LLC,TILE MTRLS	215.76
KARSJENS, PRENTICE,TWP EXP	20.00
KELM, ROBERT,DRIVER STIPEND	100.00
LANDERS HARDWARE,UPGRADES	585.44
LEAHY, HAROLD,BORROW	2,305.80
LEGISLATIVE SERVICES AGENCY,OFC SUP	125.00
LEISINGER, VIRGINIA,OFC SUP	41.98
LEROY'S REPAIR,MAINT	49.90
LUTHERAN SERVICES,YOUTH SHLTR	979.65
MAIL SERVICES, LLC,OFC SUP/PSTG	1,233.23
MARCO INC,EQUIP CONT	112.77
MEDLINE INDUSTRIES INC,MED SUP	230.76
MENKEN, REID,SCH OF INSTR	267.40
MERCY HEALTH SERVICES IOWA CORP,MED SUP	376.22
MERCYONE WAVERLY,MED EXMR	87.50
MID AMERICAN ENERGY,UTIL	5,694.54
MID-AMERICA PUBLISHING CORP.,BD PROC/PUBL/PUB NOT	2,560.91
MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL,SUP-SR	194.05
MORT'S PLUMBING & HEATING,MAINT	525.02
MYERS-COX CO.,BD & CARE	64.12
NACVSO,DUES	50.00
NAPA AUTO PARTS (GREENE),MAINT	26.98
NAPA AUTO PARTS (P'BURG),FLTRS/MAINT/PRTS	338.88
O'BRIEN SERVICE & TOWING,MAINT	187.90
O'BRIEN, MARK,MLGE	48.00
OFFICE DEPOT INC.,MED SUP/MNR EQUIP/OFC SUP	1,841.36
OFFICE EXPRESS,OFC SUP	10.91
ONENECK IT SOLUTIONS LLC,DISASTER RCVRY	1,383.00
PAETEC,TELE	612.77
PAKOR INC,OFC SUP	269.95
PARKERSBURG, CITY OF,UTIL	32.00
PATHWAYS BEHAVIORAL SERVICES,PROF FEES	2,500.00
PESTICIDE BUREAU-IDALS,SCH OF INSTR	15.00
PETERSON CONTRACTORS INC.,CONST	151,239.80
PETROBLEND CORP.,OIL	2,128.60
PIONEER TELEPHONE,TELE	10.82
PITNEY BOWES INC.,PSTG/RENT	552.24
POWERPLAN,PRTS	2,511.20
PRIMARY SYSTEMS,MAINT	113.75

PROVIDER INSIGHTS INC,CONT SVCS	600.00
PURPLE WAVE INC.,NEW EQUIP	33,550.00
RICOH USA, INC,EQUIP CONT	203.55
RILEYS INC.,OFC SUP	1,083.90
RYAN EXTERMINATING INC.,PEST CNTRL	47.00
SADLER POWER TRAIN,PRTS	786.40
SCHRAGE, RYAN,MLGE	38.00
SCHUMACHER ELEV. CO.,MAINT/MISC RPR	423.81
SHELL ROCK HAY AUCTION,ENVIRON EDUC	97.00
SHELL ROCK, CITY OF,UTIL	30.00
SHIVE-HATTERY,ENVIRON EDUC	9,630.00
SHRED-IT USA,MISC	104.12
SIDWELL COMPANY, THE,LICENSING	2,646.00
SMIDT CROP MGT. INC.,SOIL TEST	1,503.60
SNAP-ON TOOLS CORP.,TOOLS	60.00
SOCIETY OF LAND,REG	95.00
SPARRGROVE, DOMINIC,RENT	250.00
STAR EQUIPMENT, LTD.,RNTL	200.00
STAR GRAPHICS,MISC SUP/OFC SUP/UNIF	546.26
STATE HYGIENIC LABORATORY,WELL CLOSING	132.00
STATE MEDICAL EXAMINER'S OFFICE,AUTOPSY	2,145.00
STELLAR TRUCK & TRAILER,PRTS	74.54
STIRLING, SUSAN,MLGE	223.00
STOKES WELDING,FLTRS/MISC MTRLS/PRTS	1,751.42
STUNTZ, STEVE,WELL CLOSING	201.16
SWART TIRE SERVICES LLC,CAR EXP	260.38
TAYLOR PHYSICAL THERAPY,CONT SVC	4,480.00
THOMASON, TERRY,DRIVER STIPEND	50.00
THOMSON REUTERS - WEST,CT COSTS	1,894.60
TITAN MACHINERY-ROGERS,PRTS	910.48
TOBEN DRAINAGE, LLC,MAINT	268.00
TOP QUALITY GLOVE,MED SUP	598.00
TRUAX COMPANY INC.,MAINT	252.32
TRUCK CENTER COMPANIES,FLTRS/PRTS	8,139.91
U.S. CELLULAR,BT/EQUIP CONT/TELE	3,376.17
U.S. POSTAL SERVICE,PSTG	850.00
UHLENHOPP-JACOBS, LISA,MLGE	75.50
UMB BANK, N.A.,BOND REG FEE	1,350.00
WAL MART COMMUNITY,ENVIRON EDUC - CC	38.15
WATCHGUARD VIDEO,NEW CAR	6,694.00
WATSON, WILLIAM,UPGRADES	2,438.50
WEBER, PAUL,DRIVER STIPEND	75.00
WEINBERG, THERESA,TRANSCRIPT	64.00
WELLMARK BLUE CROSS/BLUE SHIELD,INS	11,351.03
WELLSBURG AG,DSL/MAINT	12,431.66
WILLIAMSON, RANDY,TWP EXP	20.00
YOUTH SHELTER CARE,YOUTH DETENTION	1,446.15
ZIEGLER INC.,LBR/PRTS/RNTL	17,682.47

Board acknowledged receipt of Manure Management Plan Annual Updates for Feckers Finisher Farm, A-P Pork, 4456 Markley Koop, RB/Mulder Finisher Farm and Gabe Finisher Farm.

Moved by Heidenwirth, second by Eddy to adjourn the meeting at 10:13 A.M. to Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 9:00 A.M. Motion carried.

The above and foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes and proceedings of a regular adjourned meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Butler County, Iowa on January 4, 2021.

Attest: \_\_\_\_\_  
Butler County Auditor

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Chairman of the Board of Supervisors